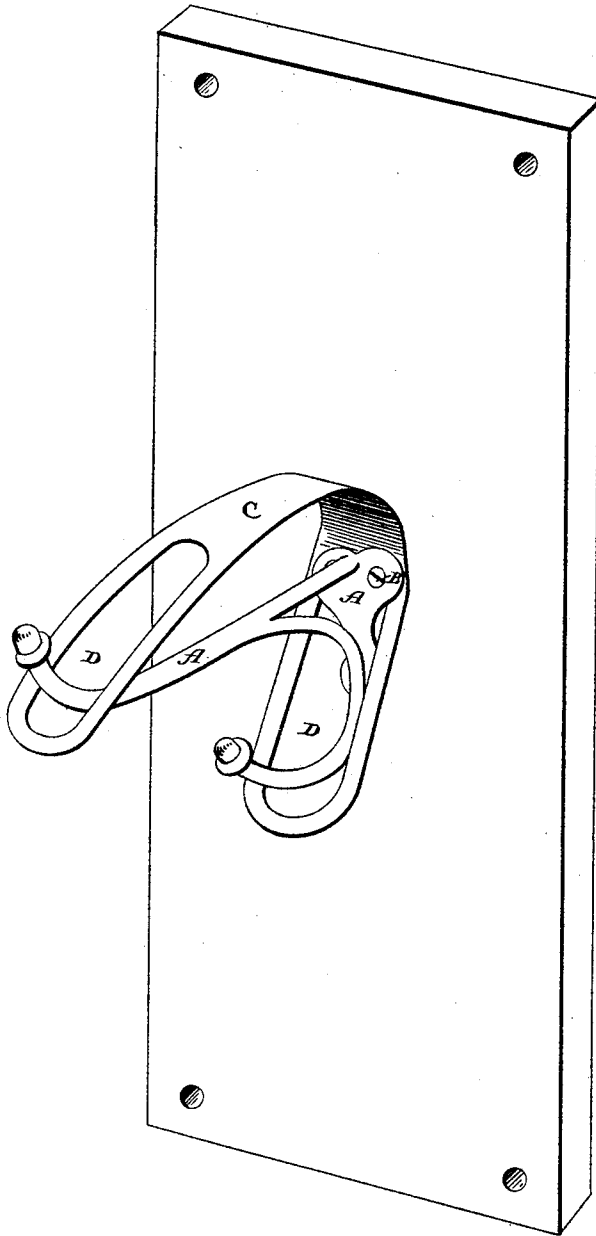


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, REBECCA M. HENSHAW, of Salt Lake City, in the Territory of Utah, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Hooks; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in attachments for clothes-hooks; and it consists in the particular construction herein-after described, and pointed out in the claims.

The object of my invention is to provide an attachment for clothes-hooks which, after the clothes are placed upon the hooks, will press upon them to prevent them from being accidentally knocked off and detached from the hook.

The accompanying drawing represents a perspective of my invention.

The ordinary clothes-hook A is secured by means of the screws B to any desired support in the usual manner.

My invention relates to a spring-clasp C, which is here shown as being provided with the openings D in its ends and secured between the base of the hook A and the support. This spring-clasp C is essentially U-shaped in form, and has its upper end extended beyond and normally pressed below the upper end of the hook A. The lower end of this spring C has its end extending beyond and also normally pressed below the lower end of the hook A. As here shown, this spring-clasp is formed of sheet metal; but it will be readily understood that it could be formed out of wire, which would have its end bent into the form of loops and brought sufficiently near together at the center to pass between the base of the hook A and the support in substantially the same manner as does the sheet-metal clasp here shown.

While I prefer to form in the ends of the clasp the openings D, so that they will pass below the upper and lower ends of the hook and extend over the article placed upon either end of the hook, it will be readily understood that the ends of the spring-clasp could be made solid, in which case they would

rest upon the coat or other article placed upon the hook and thus prevent it from being accidentally detached. The holding qualities or action in this instance would not be so great, and I therefore prefer to form the ends of the clasp into loops; but I do not desire to limit myself to this precise construction. It will also be readily seen that the spring-clasp may be formed of only the upper portion, which will extend over the upper end of the hook, or of the lower portion only, which will extend over the lower end of the hook, without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. An attachment for a clothes-hook, consisting of a spring-arm having a vertical inner end adapted to be passed between the base of said hook and the object to which the hook is secured and its opposite end extending outward and curved downward and extending over the hook, substantially as described.

2. The combination, with a clothes-hook having an upper and a lower hook, of a spring-clasp which is essentially U-shaped in form, so that its upper and lower ends will extend over the said upper and lower hooks, substantially as set forth.

3. An attachment for a clothes-hook, having an upper and a lower hook consisting of a spring-clasp essentially U-shaped in form, and having an opening in its lower end whereby it is adapted to be passed between the base of the hook and its support, and its upper and lower ends extending over the upper and lower hooks, substantially as shown and described.

4. An attachment for clothes-hooks, consisting of a piece of flat metal having its inner end bent downward to pass behind the base of said hook and its opposite end extending outward and curved downward and provided with a loop or opening through which the hook passes, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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